

HOUSE BILL No. 1150

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 25-15-6-5.

Synopsis: Continuing professional education. Increases continuing education requirements for funeral directors.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy, Ethics and Veterans Affairs.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 25-15-6-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) The board shall
3 require a funeral director to obtain ~~ten (10)~~ **fourteen (14)** hours of
4 continuing education credit in any two (2) year period in order to renew
5 or restore a license under this chapter. The board shall require that
6 continuing education credit be earned in board approved courses or
7 programs **as follows:**

8 **(1) At least four (4) hours of continuing education on federal**
9 **and state laws and rules regulating the embalming and**
10 **funeral professions.**

11 **(2) Ten (10) hours on one (1) or more of the following subjects:**

12 ~~(1)~~ **(A)** Embalming and restorative arts.

13 ~~(2)~~ **(B)** Prevention of the spread of infectious disease and
14 compliance with mandatory public health requirements.

15 ~~(3)~~ **Federal and state laws and rules regulating the embalming**
16 **and funeral professions.**

17 ~~(4)~~ **(C)** Funeral home management.



~~(5)~~ (D) Religion.

~~(6)~~ (E) Natural science.

~~(7)~~ (F) Grief counseling and the psychological effect of death on survivors.

(b) Continuing education hours earned as a prerequisite to the issuance or maintenance of a professional license other than a funeral director license may not be counted in determining compliance with this section.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] (a) **If, after June 30, 2003, and before July 1, 2005, the board has not renewed or restored the license of a funeral director who held a valid license under IC 25-15-6 on July 1, 2003, solely because the funeral director failed to comply with the continuing education requirements of IC 25-15-6-5, as amended by this act, the board shall:**

(1) waive the continuing education requirements of a funeral director who has obtained at least ten (10) hours of continuing education credits; and

(2) renew or restore the license of the funeral director.

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2006.

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